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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action sent August 31, 2007, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.